Management Assistance Authority for capital improvements to D.C. public schools and for public safety agencies, 10 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services, to hold hearings on the Administration's proposal on NATO enlargement, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to hold hearings on the nominations of Kerri Ann Jones, of Maryland, and Jerry M. Melillo, of Massachusetts, both to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Subcommittee on Manufacturing and Competitiveness, to hold hearings to examine the current state of manufac-

turing in the United States, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Finance, to hold hearings on S. 436, to provide for the transfer of one-half cent of the 4.3 centsper-gallon motor fuels tax now being deposited into the General Fund to a designated trust fund for Amtrak, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, to hold hearings on S. 261, to provide for a biennial budget process and a biennial appropriations process and to enhance oversight and the performance of the Federal Government, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary, to hold hearings to examine the growing national problem with gangs, focusing on how gangs affect communities within States and on gangs that have established networks from State to State, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Higher Education Act, focusing on campus based financial aid programs and the students who benefit from them, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Select Committee on Intelligence, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

## House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research, hearing on EPA's proposed air quality standard of PM 2.5 and its implications for agriculture, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on public witnesses, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies on Department of Veterana Affician 10 and and 2 p.m., 2358.

cies, on Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, to continue mark up of H.R. 2, Housing Opportunity and Respon-

sibility Act of 1997, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on Reauthorization of the Prescription Drug User Fee Act and FDA Reform, 2:30 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-Long Learning, hearing on the Rising Price of a College Edu-

cation, 1 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, hearing on "Census 2000: How Should the Federal Government Measure Race and Ethnicity", 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, National Resources, and Regulatory Affairs, to continue hearings on "EPA's Particulate Matter and Ozone Rulemaking: Is EPA Above the Law", 10:30 a.m., 2247 Ray-

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, to mark up H. Res. 121, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the March 30, 1997, terrorist grenade attack in Cambodia; followed by a hearing on United States Policy Toward Vietnam; followed by a hearing on SINO-American Relations and U.S. Policy Options, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, hearing on the following

bills: H.R. 911, Volunteer Protection Act of 1997 and H.R. 1167, Volunteer Protection Act of 1997, 10:15

a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, oversight hearing on regarding border security and deterring illegal entry into the United States, 9:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider the following: H.R. 1271, FAA Research, Engineering, and Development Authorization Act of 1997; H.R. 1273, National Science Foundation Authorization Act of 1997; H.R. 1274, National Institute of Standards and Technology Authorization Act of 1997; H.R. 1275, Civilian Space Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1998 and 1999; H.R. 1276, Environmental Research, Development, and Demonstration Authorization Act of 1997; H.R. 1277, Department of Energy Civilian Research and Development Act of 1997; and H.R. 1278, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Authorization Act of 1997, 4 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on Surface Transportation Research and Development, Part II, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing on Tax Burden on Small Business Families, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on Meeting Clean Water and Drinking Water Infrastructure Needs, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 867, Adoption Promotion Act of 1997, and H.R. 1048, Welfare Reform Technical Corrections Act of

1997, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on the low-income housing tax credit, 1:30 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on DEA regarding Mexico, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol. **Next Meeting of the SENATE** 10 a.m., Wednesday, April 23

## **Senate Chamber**

Program for Wednesday: Senate will consider the Chemical Weapons Convention (Treaty Doc. 103–21). and S. Res. 75, to advise and consent to the ratification of the Chemical Weapons Convention, subject to certain conditions.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.)

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 2 p.m., Wednesday, April 23

## **House Chamber**

Program for Wednesday: Complete consideration of H.R. 400, 21st Century Patent Improvement Act;

Consideration of H. Res. 117, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules;

Consideration of 5 Suspensions:

- 1. H. Con. Res. 8, Expressing the Sense of Congress with Respect to the Significance of Maintaining the Health and Stability of Coral Reef Ecosystems;
- 2. H.R. 39, African Elephant Conservation Reauthorization Act of 1997;
- 3. H.R. 449, Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1997;
- 4. H.R. 688, Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Amendments Act of 1997; and
- 5. H.R. 1272, Fire Administration Authorization Act of 1997.

Note: No votes are expected before 5:00 p.m.



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